

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Kenji KUBOMURA et al.**

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For: **IRON OXIDE WHISKER OF HIGH ASPECT RATIO, TITANIUM OXIDE  
WHISKER OF HIGH ASPECT RATIO, STRUCTURE CONTAINING THESE  
AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THEM**

Attorney Docket Number: **062907**

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED**

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This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2009.

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